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October is Crime Prevention Month City of Carlsbad Police Department offers crime prevention tips

CARLSBAD, Calif. – The City of Carlsbad Police Department is recognizing national Crime Prevention Month by reminding the public of five ways to significantly reduce the risk of residential crime:

1. Natural Surveillance – Create the ability to see and be seen by day and by night.
2. Lighting – Inside and out. Use timers or light sensors.
3. Physical Security – Use locks or hardware that secure a home.
4. Traces of Activity – Make it appear someone is home all the time.
5. Neighborhood Collaboration – Team with neighbors to prevent crime, also known as “Neighborhood Watch.”

“When people take these five simple steps, the risk of their home being targeted by criminals goes down dramatically,” says Jodee Sasway, crime prevention specialist for the City of Carlsbad. “With the upcoming time change, fall is the perfect time to double check your home security.”

In 1984, the National Crime Prevention Council designated October Crime Prevention Month. October has become the official month for recognizing and celebrating the practice of crime prevention, while promoting awareness of important issues such as victimization, volunteerism and creating safer, more caring communities.

The City of Carlsbad’s Crime Prevention Unit works with residents, businesses and visitors reduce crime, including personalized programs, public education efforts and research that help identify crime trends.

Additional crime prevention tips and services information are available on the Crime Prevention Unit website at www.carlsbadca.gov/police/crime-prevention.

